

# Tobacco Use Certification



## Don't Let Your Money - or Your Health - Go Up in Smoke

**All subscribers must submit certification concerning their tobacco use to EIP as soon as possible.**

Effective January 1, 2010, a monthly surcharge will be added to the health insurance premium of tobacco users covered by the Employee Insurance Program (EIP). *If you – or anyone you cover under your health plan – smokes or uses tobacco, you will pay the surcharge.*

*You will be automatically charged the tobacco-user premium unless you certify no one covered under your health insurance uses tobacco, and no one has used tobacco within the past six months.*

For more information, visit EIP's web site at [www.eip.sc.gov](http://www.eip.sc.gov). On the home page is a link for the tobacco-use surcharge. The link takes you to additional information, including FAQs, and certification instructions.

If you would like to quit, help is available.

- ✓ State Health Plan and BlueChoice HealthPlan participants are eligible for the Free & Clear<sup>®</sup> Quit for Life<sup>®</sup> Program.
- ✓ CIGNA HMO members are eligible for the CIGNA Quit Today<sup>SM</sup> Tobacco Cessation Program.

Contact your health plan today!



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